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TWELFTH ARMY GROUP  
SCI MUNICH

20 July 1945

SUBJECT : RSHA Financial Operation  
TO : Chief X-2 Germany

1. Reference is made to letter of 20 July 1945 on above subject.

2. On 20 July 1945 the Finance Officer of the Third U.S. Army was contacted relative to the proper disposition of the gold coins recovered in this transaction. He instructed that the coins be turned over to the Finance Officer of Military Government Detachment E1F3. This action was taken and a receipt obtained for the money. A copy of the receipt is attached.

3. It is noted that reference letter showed a total of 7139 coins. The count of the Finance Officer of Military Government showed a total of 7155 coins, and the receipt was so written.

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SOURCE METHODS EXEMPTION 3B2B  
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT  
DATE 2003 2005

Eric W. Timm  
Capt. AUS  
SCI Liaison Officer

## DISTRIBUTION

4 cc- - - CO X-2 GERMANY (Enc. Original of statement by  
Schwend verifying count of money;  
original, 1 cc of receipt for money  
by MG Fiscal Officer)  
1 cc- - - CIB 3rd US Army (Enc. Copy of statement and receipt)  
1 cc- - - File (Enc. Copy of statement and receipt)

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18 July 1945

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I, Frederick SCHWENDT turned over gold coins which were hidden by me near Innsbruck, Austria. The total money consisting entirely of gold pieces was checked in my presence. It consisted of three (3) cloth bags sealed bearing tags, (1,000 pcs. per sack). These sacks weighed about 6.8 Kg. The remainder of the loose coins were made and weighed, when wet on an untested scales (testing about 800 pieces to 6 Kg.) The total of unsacked coins or loose coins was about 27.2 Kg. on the untested scales. This made a grand total of 47 Kg.

F. SCHWENDT (signed)

The following statement written in German, SCHWENDT's native language was attested to by him:

"This is to certify that I fully understand the above statement.

F. SCHWENDT (signed)

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RECIEVED FROM ERIC W. TIMM CAPT. AUS

THE SUM OF 7155 gold (French and Italian) coins-

coins 7139 was the count reached by Capt. Timm

RSA Funds.

AMOUNT 7155 coins.

DATE 20 July 45

PLACE E1F3 Regional Mil. Govt! Det.

Munich

(Signature)

JOSEPH T. BARTOS,  
2d Lt. AUS  
Regional Fiscal Officer

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